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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Philip N. BENFEY *et al.*

Application No.: 09/578,827

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For: SHORT-ROOT GENE, PROMOTER AND USES THEREOF Atty Docket No.: 7853-078

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed August 7, 2000, 2000, be extended for a period of three months from October 7, 2000 to and including January 7, 2001.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$445.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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